(c) The average annual expenditure incurred on each student of Navodaya Vidyalaya during 2004-2005 was Rs. 30, 277/-.

(d) The year wise expenditure on Navodaya Vidyalayas during the last three years (i.e. 2002-03, 2003-04 & 2004-05) is given below:-

Year	Expenditure (Rs. Crores)
2002-03	482.37
2003-04	554.68
2004-05	587.22

Corruption in AICTE

†2770. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to rampat corruption in AICTE quality of education in private engineering colleges has deteriorated and there is a nexus between the corrupt officers of AICTE and these colleges;

(b) the number of the complaints regarding corruption received by Government during the last three years; and

(c) the number of the AICTE officers against whom action has been taken on the basis of these complaints?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) It is not correct to state that there has been deterioration in quality of education in private engineering college due to alleged corruption in All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE). No specific charges of corruption has been substantiated warranting action against AICTE officers. In recent years, AICTE has taken a number of initiatives for improving transparency and quality of technical education such as, introducing mandatory disclosures by institutions, time-bound Any Time Round the Year approvals, promoting equity for institutions giving them opportunity to present their cases and being heard, random and surprise visits to ensure maintenance of norms and standard and quality and penalizing institutions for their violation.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.